

GOVERNMENT OF TELANGANA
ABSTRACT

Forest Department – WL- Conservation of wetlands in the state – Notification of “The Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017” – Constitution of State Wetlands Authority – Orders – Issued.

ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS, SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (FOR.I) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Ms.No. 5

Dated: 15-02-2019
Read the following:

1. The Gazette of India No.802, Dt.26.09.2016.
2. From the PCCF, Telangana, Hyd., Rc. No.20463/2015/WL-I, dt.24.10.2017.
3. From the PCCF, Telangana, Hyd., Rc. No.20463/2015/WL-I, dt.21.01.2019.

O R D E R:

In his letter 2nd read above, the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Telangana State, Hyderabad has informed that the Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India has notified “The Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017” under the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, stated that the act is implemented by the Dept. of Environment headed by Member Secretary, State Pollution Control Board and majority of wetlands fall outside Forest areas, thus requested to initiate the process of constituting the State Wetlands Authority as required under the said rules, by the Members Secretary, Telangana State Pollution Control Board, Hyderabad. He has also requested to appoint other member to the Wetlands Authority from the list of notification of “The Wetlands (Conservation and Management) Rules, 2017”. He has, therefore, requested to constitute the State Wetlands Authority as per the notification of the Central Government with certain members.

2. After careful consideration of the proposal of the Principal Chief Conservator of Forests, (HoFF), Telangana State, Hyderabad, Government hereby constitute the State Wetlands Authority with the following members:-

- i) Minister In-charge of the Department of Environment/Forests of the State Government or Minister In-charge of the Department handling wetlands – Chairperson;
- ii) Chief Secretary of the State or Additional Chief Secretary equivalent – Vice Chairperson;
- iii) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Environment – Member ex-officio;
- iv) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Forests - Member ex-officio;
- v) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Urban Development - Member ex-officio;
- vi) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Rural Development - Member ex-officio;

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- vii) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Water Resources - Member ex-officio;
- viii) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Fisheries - Member ex-officio;
- ix) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Irrigation and Food Control - Member ex-officio;
- x) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Tourism - Member ex-officio;
- xi) Secretary in-charge of the Department of Revenue - Member ex-officio;
- xii) Director, State Remote Sensing Centre – Member ex-officio;
- xiii) Chief Wildlife Warden - Member ex-officio;
- xiv) Member Secretary, State Biodiversity Board - Member ex-officio;
- xv) Member Secretary, State Pollution Control Board - Member ex-officio;
- xvi) Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests of the Regional Office of Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change – Member ex-officio;
- xvii) One expert nominate each in the following fields:-
 - (a) Wetland ecology:-
Dr. K.Avil Kumar, Principal Scientist (Agro, Water Technology Centre, DJB, Rajendranagar is nominated from PJTSAU, Hyderabad.
 - (b) Hydrology:-
The Chief Engineer, Hydrology & Investigation, Errumanzil, Hyderabad, from Irrigation Department.
 - (c) Fisheries:-
Smt B.Sarala Devi, Joint Director of Fisheries, O/o Commissioner of Fisheries, Shantinagar, Masab Tank, Hyderabad.
 - (d) Landscape planning & Socio-economics:-
Dr. M.J.Nandan,
Principal Scientist is nominated from NGRI, Hyderabad.
- (xviii) Additional Secretary/Joint Secretary/Director in the Department of Environment/Forests or Department handling wetlands–Member ex-officio;

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3. The Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (WL) & Chief Wildlife Warden, Telangana State, Hyderabad shall take necessary action, accordingly.

BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF TELANGANA)

AJAY MISRA
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC)

To
The Principal Chief Conservator of Forest (WL) &
Chief Wildlife Warden, Telangana State, Hyderabad.
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//FORWARDED :: BY ORDER//

SECTION OFFICER